

Thompson's Talk On Tailoring

The Trimmings of a Garment

A chain is no stronger than its weakest link. It can also be said a garment is no better than its trimmings. No matter how good the cloth if "cheap" trimmings are used in the make up, your garment will not prove satisfactory. Most men are well aware of this fact and are careful to insist on the best trimmings only. Their past experiences have taught them to be careful.

In every suit I sell at Ten Dollars and over—whether it is ready-to-wear or made-to-order—I guarantee the very best trimmings, all-wool Mohair body lining, best shrunk Irish linen canvas, No. 1 hair cloth, high grade fancy silesia, best buttons and every seam is double stitched with silk thread. If you buy your next suit from me, I will prove to you what high grade trimmings mean to a suit.

P. J. Thompson,
The Gents' Clothing and Furnishing House.

Mrs. John White.

There died at the home of her son-in-law, Thomas Taylor, Port Law, on Jan. 22nd, Mrs. John White at the age of 76 years. Deceased, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Weir, was born in Co. Fermanagh, Ireland, coming to Canada in her 23rd year. Forty-eight years ago she was married to John White, Armetesta township, and who afterwards moved to Glenelg, near Markdale. Nine children were born to the union, four of whom are living, viz: Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Port Law; John J., in Glenelg, near Lauriston; David, Science Master of the Normal School, Toronto; and Margaret, of New York, all of whom were present. Mrs. White has been in failing health for some years. She was of a retiring disposition, unselfish, and a devoted wife and mother. The funeral took place to Markdale Cemetery on Thursday, the 25th. Those who attended from a distance were: Robert Weir, of Wingham, brother of the deceased; William Weir, of Wroxeter, and Edward Armstrong, of Fordwich, nephews; and David White, of Toronto. The pall bearers were Thomas Cook, John Chapman, John Love, S. W. Wright, Andrew Love and John Chard.

C.P.R. Farming Special.

The C.P.R. will put on a "Better Farming Special" train from Feb. 20 to March 16, under the direction of Mr. G. A. Putnam, Superintendent of Farmers' and Women's Institutes for the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The train will consist of nine cars, some of which will be fitted up as lecture coaches; four will contain illustrative and demonstrative material. Twelve lecturers will be in attendance throughout the trip. The routes will embrace C.P.R. lines from Windsor to Apple Hill, in Glengarry County, and the Goderich and Owen Sound branches.

Orillia's Library.

The Orillia Carnegie Library opened this month at \$14,350. Carnegie furnishing \$13,500, leaving \$850 to be raised by the town. The original building was to cost \$12,500, but owing to some change Mr. Carnegie advanced another thousand, but refused a further grant. Any amount of money to lend on mortgage security at the lowest rate on interest. Expenses low. No fines. Properties valued personally. No waiting for convenience of inspectors. W. L. Young, Markdale, Appraiser for Canada Permanent Loan Company.

Lacrosse Club Dramatic Entertainment

"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME"
Cast of Characters.
JOHN SMITH, who loves his wife and lives in New York—Dr. L. G. Campbell.
GENERAL BILLETDOUX—His wife's second husband.—Harold Haskett.
MAJOR DUNCOMBE—With memories of last night.—R. U. Gillilan.
COUNT Von Greggheim—Who made them twisted.—Kendall Haskett.
ROBERT WALTON—Mrs. Smith's brother.—M. E. Kelly.
MRS. JOHN SMITH—Who loves her husband no matter where he lives.—Miss L. K. Brown.
MISS SMITH—A lady in waiting.—Miss Murray.
ROSE WALTON—Robert's bride of a day.—Miss Gladys Caesar.
JULLA—touchingly clever.—Miss B. L. Macpherson.
LAVINIA DALY—Who is a lady and knows it.—Miss Marjorie Mann.
J. H. Dundas, Musical Director.

Excellent Connections For The Sunny South.

To meet the demand for southern travel which generally takes place this season of the year, the C.P.R. is pleased to inform the public of the excellent connection made at Detroit with the Pere Marquette for Jacksonville and other Southern points. Passengers can leave Toronto on the C.P.R. fast train, at 4.30 p.m., arrive Detroit 10.25 p.m., and connect with the Pere Marquette train leaving same depot at 10.45 p.m., and arrive at Jacksonville second morning after leaving Detroit. The parlor and dining car service between Toronto and Detroit is par excellence, and from Detroit south through sleeping and dining car service is also operated. This route takes you through the beautiful cities of Detroit, Mich.; Toledo, O.; Dayton, O.; Cincinnati, O.; and Atlanta, Georgia. If intending passengers will call at the ticket office, 16 East King Street, Toronto, full information will be supplied and literature covering the route furnished. Excellent connections can also be made to Florida, via Buffalo, John Caesar, Agent, Markdale.

BRASS WORKERS.

There is a Dangerous Trade, and They Usually Die Young. The present rate of mortality of the brass foundryman is two and a half times that of the farmer. Respiratory diseases, particularly consumption, account for the difference. Comparative tables based on sickness and invalidism, if obtainable, would show even greater differences. The age statistics in the trade are startling. Of 1,751 brass foundrymen but seventeen over fifty years of age were found and a bare 200 over forty years of age. When asked the cause of this, the men invariably stated: "They got too old." They can't turn out the work they should every day." But what sort of an industry is this in which nearly six-sevenths of its followers are too old at the age of forty? It is not this among ironmolders, most of whom are hale and hearty even at sixty years and still able to turn out their full quota of work daily. Workmen claim they "are knocked out by the brass fumes." These age statistics for Chicago workmen are no different from those of Sir Thomas Oliver gives in his book on "Dangerous Trades." "Only ten brass workers of 1,200 casters in Birmingham, England, were found living beyond sixty years. A superannuation insurance for brass founders, to begin at fifty-five years of age, had only three applicants in a period of some ten years." There is no cure for brass chills. But they can be prevented by striking at the cause. For such an important industry not to do so is like tolerating an malleolux in a modern community. The workmen must be protected from the breathing in of brass fumes and foundry smoke. In large foundries with good ventilation, either natural or artificial, brass chills practically never occur.—Emery R. Hayhurst in Survey.

HUNTING THE WOLF.

Trained Eagles Are Used by the Tartar Tribes of Asia. There are many ways of hunting the wolf in Russia, some very curious and exciting and others as tame as target practice. The most sportslike way is by means of hounds, and all over Russia today there are well-to-do sportsmen who hunt the animal in this fashion. Wolves are also taken in pits and shot, while still another way is to drive in a sleigh through the forest in time of hard frost, when the wolves are bold with hunger. At the back of the sleigh one or more sportsmen lie snugly under their fur rugs with their rifles ready. A young pig is carried in the sleigh, and its cries soon reach the ears of the lurking wolves, who cannot resist following the sleigh and are speedily shot. One of the most picturesque ways of hunting the wolf perhaps, is that which one may see in the west of Asia on the bleak Kirghiz steppes. The Tartar tribes are wonderful horsemen, and they ride after the wolf in very large parties. Not only are dogs used to overtake the quarry, but because a fleet wolf may get away from them, eagles are used, being trained to help the hunter in very much the same manner as falcons in olden times. The great bird sits on the hunter's wrist until it is lost loose. Then it soars into the air, sails after the quarry and swoops down upon it. Its duty is not to kill, but to "bother" the wolf by flapping its wings in its face and driving its sharp claws into the animal's back. Such hunting makes capital sport for the riders, but apart from this, wolf hunting is a real necessity in those parts, the brutes being far too partial to the lambs and kids of the Tartars' flocks.—Wide World Magazine.

Hard to Get Into Jail.

There was a queer old specimen of humanity brought to the Cuyahoga county jail. He had been convicted of the crime of cruelty to animals, and there was no doubt in anybody's mind that he richly deserved the penalty inflicted. It is the custom to examine prisoners, however, before they are assigned to their cells. When this old reprobate was brought up the interrogation went thus: "What is your name?" "Budd Dobbs." "What is your age?" "Sixty-eight." "What is your religion?" "Great snakes! Does a man harbor religion before they'll let him enter jail in this county?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Gentle Reminder.

Neighbor—Hello, Jenkins! How are you? Haven't seen you in the garden for quite a time, and you never come and see the wife and me now. Why is it? Jenkins—Well, the fact is, old chap, that it's not through ill will or bad feeling or anything like that, you know; only you and Mrs. Possumore have borrowed so many things from me that when I see your place it makes me feel quite homesick.—London Answers.

Art and Science.

"What a beautiful picture of an angel!" said the lady who was visiting the art gallery. "Yes," replied the aviation enthusiast, "but between you and me those wings aren't practical."—Washington Star.

Never Despair.

He who despairs wants love, wants faith, for faith, hope and love are three torches which blend their light together, nor does the one shine without the other.—Metastasio.

He is a brave man who refuses to be disheartened by the fact that he was beaten yesterday.

KING OF THE ASPES.

This Reptile, the Most Venomous of Snakes, is Death Itself. The most venomous of snakes is said to be the Echis carinata of India. It is about eighteen inches long and of a gray color. The creature is death itself and carries in its head the secret of destroying life with the concentrated agony of all the poisons. The Echis carinata is tolerably common in India, being found in nearly every part of the peninsula. Fortunately, however, for man, it is not, like the cobra, a house frequenting snake, for its aggressive habits would make it infinitely more fatal to life than its dreaded relative. This king of the asps does not turn to escape from man, as the cobra will, or flash into concealment, like the koi-hat, but keeps the path against its human assailant and, pitting its own eighteen inches of length against its enemy's bulk, challenges and provokes conflict. A stroke with a whip will cut it in two or a clod of earth disable it. But such is its malignity that it will invite attack by every device at its command, staking its own life on the mere chance of its adversary coming within the little circle of its power. At most the radius of this circle is twelve inches. Within it at any point lies certain death, and on the bare hope of hand or foot trespassing within its reach the Echis carinata throws its body into a figure of eight coil. Then it attracts attention by rubbing its loops together, which, from the roughness of the scales, make a rustling, hissing sound, erects its head in the center and awaits attack. It is said that no one, having once encountered this terrible reptile, can ever forget its horrifying aspect when thus aroused. Its eagerly aggressive air, its restless coils, which, in constant motion one over the other and rustling ominously all the while, stealthily but surely bring it nearer and nearer to the object of its fury.—Harper's.

TWO NEW HATS.

The Scheme That Wan Them and the Way It Was Worked. A man who used to be in politics and was a constant borrower found himself in need of a new hat, but he couldn't find anybody who would lend him a cent. Finally he went to an acquaintance and said: "I want to borrow \$30 for five minutes." "You can have it if you will put up a couple of fingers for security." "Nix. Now, I've got a scheme. You lend me the fifty and you needn't let me get out of your sight. If you do it I'll stake you to a new hat." Mystified, but curious, the acquaintance agreed to this, and the two repaired to a prominent hat store. "Wait a minute," said the adventurer and left his backer doing sentry duty on the sidewalk. Picking out the most important looking personage in the store, the politician went up to him and said: "I am So-and-so of the district. I have come to pay for two hats for which I have given orders on you to two of my constituents." With that he flashed a fifty dollar bill. There was a scurrying around, a search of books and a reply that no such orders had been presented. "Just look out for them, will you?" said the district leader, waving the big bill, which was hypnotic in its way, for the clerk bowed low and said, "Yes." Half an hour later two orders were presented and two hats left the store.—Chicago Post.

The History of "Stepmother."

"Stepmother" is a word with a commonly unsuspected history. Probably most people if called upon to explain it would say that it meant a woman who had stepped into the place of the true mother. Dr. Johnson, at any rate, believed that this was the suggestion of the word to most minds. Really, "step" is the Anglo-Saxon "steop," the original meaning of which appears to be "orphaned." Stepmother came first, and then by gradual fading of the etymological meaning of "step" stepfather and stepmother came into being.—London Chronicle.

Japanese Landowners.

A landowner in Japan owns the surface and products of the land only. All minerals under the surface appertain not to him, but to the Japanese government. Moreover, should the government or its nominees wish to extract the minerals lying under a landowner's property the latter, though he would, of course, receive compensation for loss, cannot object on legal grounds to the development of these minerals.—British Consular Report.

His Motion.

"De meetin' had to disband very sudden." "Did you make the motion to adjourn?" "I did." "How did you do it?" "I made a motion like I was reachin' for a razor."—Pittsburgh Press.

Properly Placed.

"John" exclaimed the inebriated printer's wife, "when you come home in that condition at this unseemly hour I hardly know what to call you!" "At's awright, m'dear," cajoled the printer. "Just put me in the 'too late to classify' department."—Judge's Library.

THE STRAPONTIN.

Found in Parisian Theaters. It is a Delusion and a Snare. In every Paris theater there are two or three score "straponins." You wonder what a straponin is? Well, it is a folding or strap seat on the aisle attached to the side of the aisle chair of the orchestra or balcony rows. It has neither sides nor back and is without visible means of support except through affiliation and attachment. The unexpecting American tourist whose stay in Paris is but a matter of days approaches the Parisian box office and is shown the diagram by the middle aged lady with the blond curls. Guilelessly the visitor indicates what he believes to be an aisle seat and congratulates himself on his luck at so late an hour in capturing it. A few minutes later he has paid his 10 cents for a program and tipped the woman attendant who shows him to his straponin. It is as devoid of legs or feet, this straponin, as of arms and vertebrae, a device to be shunned and tabooed. You squirm to make yourself comfortable, to secure some attitude whereby the hardships of the straponin may be annihilated, but in vain. It drives from your mind the most seductive music, the most dramatic episode fails to affect you, and your thoughts are forced back on the instrument of torture which has cost you the full 10 francs, the price of an orchestra chair.—New York Press.

KANAA BURIAL GROUNDS.

Bolivia's Fearsome Valley, of the Shadow of Death. There is a valley in Bolivia, South America, which might well be called the Valley of the Shadow of Death. It has been inhabited for an indefinite period of years by the Kanaa Indians, who are kindred to the various South American tribes and number now only a few hundred souls. That they were once a very powerful tribe is indicated by the condition of the land which they as a tribe still inhabit. One cannot travel any distance through their land without coming upon the old and forsaken burial grounds of the Kanaa dead. These places cannot be called graveyards, for the bodies are not buried, but rather placed upon elevated platforms, wrapped in the garments of death and bound to the crossbeams that they may not be displaced. In one of these burial grounds there will be probably fifty high skeleton platforms, and on each will lie from three to five of the Kanaa dead. The air in that part of Bolivia is very pure and preservative, for it is one of the highest plateaus of the continent, although Kanaa valley is just a little below the plateau's height. A traveler passing through that land at night and by moonlight would be awe-stricken at the gloomy vision those graveyards present. Won by His Wit. On one occasion a dress rehearsal at His Majesty's theater was prolonged till the small hours of the morning. The company grew very weary, particularly a gentleman who had been with Sir Herbert Tree in a good many productions, but who had never attained to more than a very tiny part. When the time came to rehearse his few lines he was so tired that his voice was anything but distinct. "What's the matter, Mr. Z?" asked Sir Herbert in his most sarcastic tones. "Are you saving your voice for the rehearsal?" "No, Sir Herbert," was the retort; "I've never been able to save anything under your management." Sir Herbert, an exceedingly witty man himself, was so pleased with the retort that the salary of the small part man was raised.—London M. A. P.

Opposed to Mourning Clothes.

A southern physician of recognized skill and eminence urges that all outward symbols of mourning should be abandoned. Dr. Munsey's "For many years he has expressed his views. He has won over a large number of people who see no reason why the heart should advertise its sorrow by the conspicuous insignia of gloom. There are or have been peoples griser in their generation. The Romans of the days of the republic wore blue as a sign of mourning. It is the proper thing in Asia Minor now. The Turk mourns in violet and the Persian in pale brown. Until a French queen set the present fashion in the latter half of the fifteenth century white was the color of grief in Europe, as it is now in China."

A Generous Actor.

I remember when Toole was playing an exceptionally fine engagement with us that he said laughingly: "Oh, by the way, Calvert, if my wife comes down next week don't say anything about the big receipts. You see, I've a lot of nephews and nieces, and they all expect tips from Uncle Johnnie. Last year they had over \$400 from me, and my wife thinks I rather overdo it."—"Sixty-eight Years on the Stage," by Mrs. Charles Calvert.

Quite Different.

"I suppose his wife is the most careless housekeeper in town." "Poor fellow!" "And she has half a million in her own right." "Ah, that's different!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Gossip.

"I wonder why gossip travels so fast." "Because the tongues which carry it are always on the spot."—Baltimore American.

Special Price In Single Harness

We are offering this week a special price on a few sets of single harness which we want to clear out. Call and see them and save a couple of dollars if you intend buying in the near future.

Fur Coats

Fur Coats are going fast at the reduced price we advertised a couple of weeks ago. There are only two left which we are going to sell at a price below any sold as yet.

Blankets

We still have a good number of blankets to choose from at a low price. And our Blankets every size, can't be beat for quality or price.

McCullough.

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TO WINNIPEG AND VANCOUVER
Transcontinental Service via the All Canadian Route. Standard and Tourist Sleepers to CHICAGO
Trains daily. Excellent service. Making connections at DEARBORN, FLORENCE and CHICAGO. COAST POINTS. For observations and information apply to nearest agent, Markdale.

Markdale Markets.

Fall wheat	82	84
Spring wheat	82	84
Oats	40	41
Butter	23	25
Eggs	23	25
Beef	60	63
Pork	70	73
Hides	80	83
Green per lb.	10	11
Dues	10	11
Chickens	9	11
Fowls	7	11
Turkey	16	17
Hay	11	12
Apples, dried, per lb.	7	7
Fion per bbl.	4	5
Fion per cwt.	2	3
Beaver per cwt.	1	2
Shoe per cwt.	1	2
Chop per cwt.	1	2
Speck per cwt.	6	7
Wool washed	8	10
Wool unwashed	12	14

Toronto Markets.

Wheat	85	86
Barley	50	51
Oats	40	41
Peas	10	11
Exp. cattle, choice	60	63
do medium	57	59
do light	42	43
do bulls	40	41
Butter, cows, choice	40	40
Butter, medium	40	40
Eggs, per cwt.	45	40
do do	35	40
Milk, cows, choice each	50	50
do do medium	45	45
Springer, each	25	25
Sheep, ewes	30	30
do bucks	20	20
Lamb	50	55
Hog, f.o.b.	60	60
Goats, f.o.b.	40	40
Cows, f.o.b.	40	40
Hides	91	91
do do	91	91
do do	91	91
Butter, per bag	1	1

Standard Clubbing Rates

Standard and	80
Weekly Mail	80
Weekly Globe	80
Christian Guardian	2 50
Daily World	4 00
Daily Herald	4 00
Weekly Witness	80
Weekly Sentinel	80
Ontario Sun	4 00
Farmer's Advocate	4 00
Daily News	4 00
Daily Star	4 00
The Canadian Farm	1 00
The Catholic Register	1 00

Turner's Blood and Iron Pills make weak people strong. 25c per box. Turner's Drug store.



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LOCAL and GENERAL

Mr. W. J. Shortall visited here at 11:30 last week. Ten cords 22-inch dry wood wanted. Apply at The Standard office.

Good sleighing with steady weather causes activity in the market.

An armory will be built in the village of... Teams wanted to haul... good change. C. E. Armstrong.

W. Francis Birch... Marshall's Hall on Monday... under the auspices of...

Quite a number of... are taking the course in... here in the Department... here this week.

Cook's Bros. are booked in Markdale next Saturday to buy horses and mares for purposes. West.

Three farmers on the 10th... Sydney, recently sold a... of horses each for \$500. The names are Dan Ferguson, Frizzell and J. W. Hoods.

The excursion to Toronto... Tuesday under the auspices of Ladies Music Club of Owen Sound was a success. Markdale... generously to the party.

Dr. Burt, Specialist in Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat will be at the Revue Hotel, Markdale, Thursday, Feb. 8th. He has tested and glasses supplied.

An Adv. Farm for Sale... up to one inch space, four... for one dollar, and if you... longer without change, 50 cent... month for additional months... \$2.00. Very cheap for an... two thousand of circulation.

Gratifying reports have... received from Mrs. G. I. White... Rita (Beattie) who underwent... operation in Butte Hospital... coven last week, and... level by the doctors... the speedy recovery.

At Guelph, Ontario... Sturdy is having many... "Indian list" photo... The portraits will be... among the hotel... future the defence... he was on the list...

Next Sunday morning... of the Markdale Methodist... will take as his... love. In the evening... preached a sermon to... will endeavor to... question "What constitutes... permitted young man...

Soft elm logs wanted... lumber factory in... 5 to 6 as such as... badly shaken but... Also all other kinds... ordinary (saw log length)... Markdale Furniture Co... locally high prices paid... strong, Markdale.

On account of shipment... of young stock to... during the past month... or does not intend... annual stock sale this... ever, he has a number... thoroughbred fillies... for sale which he is... reasonable figures.

A quiet marriage was... at Christ Church rectory... day afternoon, Feb. 6th... o'clock, by the Rev. Dr... noid when Mr. Wilson Dr... Miss Mary Ethel Bradley... Ephraim, were united... nony. The bride wore a... silk gown with over... net and was unattended... friends wish Mr. and Mrs... a long and happy wedd...

If the public and high... boards would instal a... in the academy on the... prove to be a great... Occasions, innumerable... it would prove itself... as a time-saver, and if... was once put in it would... edly be found to be such a... nity that it is certain... not be removed again. Ho... ful a phone would be in... injury to the pupil at inter... while playing. Broken logs... ground around the school... round are apt to occur. Wou... not be wise to have a phone... be called immediately in... accident, to say nothing... other reasons?